

# Biocontrol of Yellow Himalayan Raspberry

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Himalayan raspberry, *Rubus ellipticus*

## Objectives

- ☆ Find arthropods and/or diseases capable of limiting growth and spread of *Rubus ellipticus*
- ☆ Determine host-specificity of agent(s) suitable for use in Hawai'i
- ☆ Determine suitability of agents' release in Hawai'i

## Accomplishments

- ☆ Range of *Rubus ellipticus* in its native habitat were determined
- ☆ Contacts with researchers in native habitats established
- ☆ Travel undertaken to habitats in China; potential agents found

## Significance

- ☆ *Rubus ellipticus* is among the most invasive and destructive introductions to Hawai'i
- ☆ Biocontrol is the only currently known approach for practical long-term control
- ☆ Presently only locally established